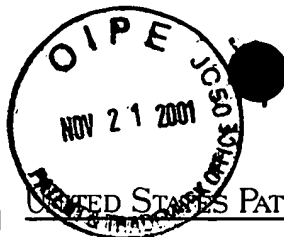


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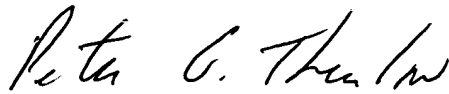
In response to the NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY mailed October 17, 2001, enclosed please find an executed Declaration/Power of Attorney form for inventors Noribumi Koitabashi and Shoji Kanemura. Applicants note that their September 11, 2001 RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION, FILING DATE GRANTED, provided the executed Declaration/Power of Attorney for inventors Peter William Mitchell Ilbery and James Robert Metcalfe. Applicants' attorney verified on November 19, 2001 with a representative from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Initial Patent Examination Division that it was only necessary to submit the executed Declaration/Power of Attorney form for inventors Noribumi Koitabashi and Shoji Kanemura to comply with the Notice of Incomplete Reply. In addition, Applicants submit

herewith a Petition for Extension of Time and a check for \$400.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time for responding from September 23, 2001 to November 23, 2001. We also enclose a copy of the NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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